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SUBJ: TRAVEL TO SAUDI ARABIA BY KAISER INDUSTRIES

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1. KAISER INDUSTRIES WASHINGTON OFFICE HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT OF INTENDED TRAVEL TO SAUDI ARABIA OF THREE OF ITS EXECUTIVES TO PURSUE ON-GOING DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIS REGARDING POSSIBLE KAISER INVESTMENT IN KINGDOM. KAISER VICE PRESIDENT WARD SAUNDERS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE JIDDA NOVEMBER 20. DAVID KIPP, MANAGER FOR INTERNATIONAL PLANNING, AND EDGAR F. BOOBYER, TECHNICAL MANAGER FOR NEW PROJECTS, WILL ARRIVE NOVEMBER 17. KAISER WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY THESE OFFICIALS TO MEET NOV. 18, 19, OR 20 WITH AMBASSADOR AKINS OR IF HE NOT AVAILABLE WITH EMBASSY ECONOMIC COUNSELOR BIRD TO REVIEW KAISER NEGOTIATIONS WITH SAUDIS. PLEASE CONFIRM DATE AND LEVEL OF APPOINTMENT.

2. DEPTOFF HAS ADVISED KAISER LOCAL REP THAT CURRENT CLIMATE IN SAUDI ARABIA IS NOT MOST PROMISING ONE FOR DISCUSSION OF MAJOR NEW INVESTMENT PROJECTS BY AN AMERICAN COMPANY AND WARNED THAT KAISER COULD ENCOUNTER SAG REQUESTS FOR COMPANY TO FIRST TAKE PUBLIC POSITION ON MIDDLE EAST

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CONFLICT. KAISER REP AGREED PASS THIS ADVICE ON TO HIS

HEADQUARTERS BUT THOUGHT IT LIKELY THAT KAISER PERSONNEL
WOULD PROCEED VISIT KINGDOM AS SCHEDULED. RUSH

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